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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Samuel J. Danishefsky and Bishan Zhou  
Serial No.: 10/728,580 Examiner: E. Bernhardt  
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For : COMPOUNDS OF THE SAFRAMYCIN-ECTEINASCIDIN  
SERIES, USES, AND SYNTHESIS THEREOF

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SIR:

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO MAY 5, 2004**

**OFFICE ACTION AND PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENTION OF TIME**

This Amendment is submitted in response to the May 5, 2004 Office Action issued in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the May 5, 2004 Office Action was due August 5, 2004. Applicants hereby request a one-month extension of time from August 5, 2004 to September 5, 2004 for responding to the May 5, 2004 Office Action. The required fee for the one-month extension of time is \$110.00 for a small entity and a check including that amount is enclosed. With the one-month extension of time, a response to the May 5, 2004 Office Action is due September 5, 2004. However, September 5, 2004 falls on a Sunday and the following day, Monday September 6, 2004 is a Federal Holiday. Therefore in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.7, a response to the May 5, 2004 Office Action is due on the next business day which is not a Saturday, Sunday or Federal holiday, i.e., Tuesday, September 7, 2004 and this Amendment is being timely filed.